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For: HIGH TEMPERATURE)
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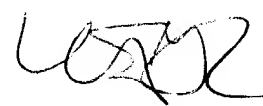
☒ Response to Election of Species Requirement.

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Applicants submit this Response to Election of Species Requirement in reply to the Office Action mailed May 7, 2003, the period for reply to which would normally extend through June 7, 2003. However, because June 7, 2003, is a Saturday, the period for reply runs through Monday, June 9, 2003.

In the Office Action, the Examiner required an election of species under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between: proposed species a1, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to the tubular supports being smooth or corrugated; proposed species b1, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to the tubular supports being spirally wound; and proposed species c1, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to the tubular supports having a tile structure.

Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, to prosecute proposed species b1. At least the following claims read on this provisional election: claims 27-39, 41, and 43.

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Regarding traverse of the election of species requirement, Applicants submit that at least independent claim 27 is generic to all of the proposed species as characterized by the Examiner. Thus, if these or other generic claims are found allowable, Applicants submit that Applicants are entitled to consideration of all claims dependent from them.

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